OFFICIAL PROGRAM

U. S. FRIGATE CONSTITUTION

Commissioned 1797

At Astoria 1933

MAY 5 TO MAY 15

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The Astoria Chamber of Commerce
U. S. Frigate Constitution Reception
Committee

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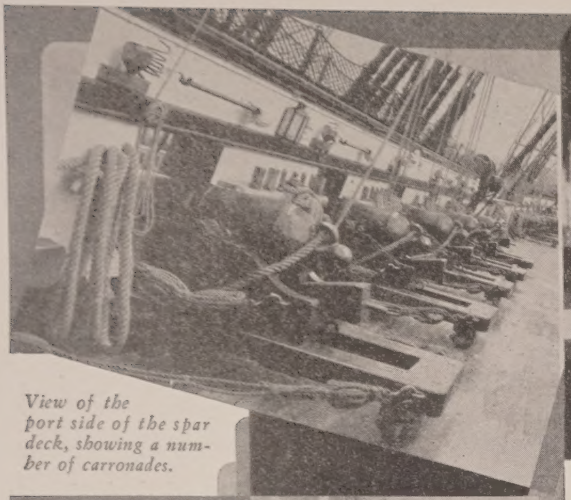
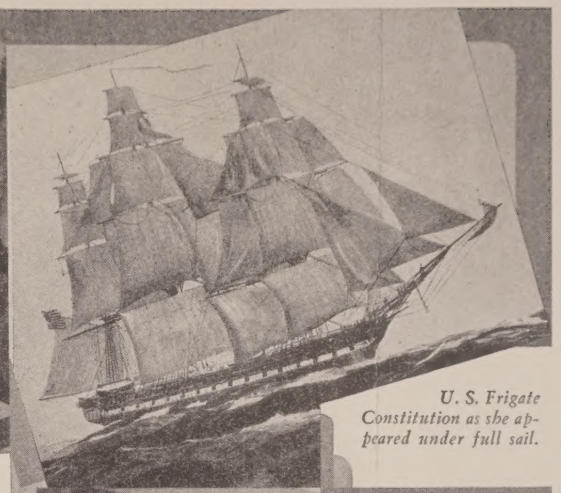


View of the port side of the spar deck, showing a number of carronades.

Commander,
LOUIS J. GULLIVER

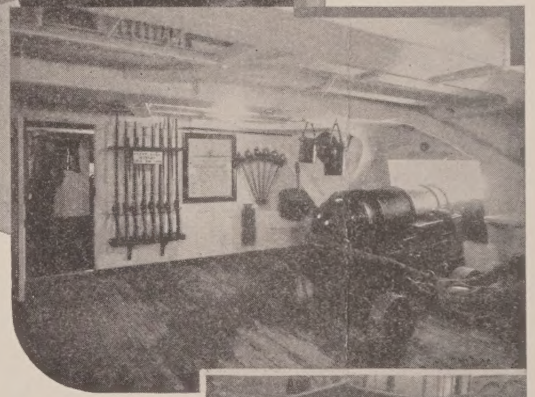
The Other Officers of the Constitution Are:

Lieutenant Commander Henry Hartley, Lieutenant Harry St. J. Butler, Lieutenant John Y. Dannenberg, Lieutenant John R. McKinney, Lieutenant (jg) David W. Tolson, Lieutenant Harry D. Templeton (MC) and Lieutenant William J. Dean (SC).



U. S. Frigate Constitution as she appeared under full sail.

Commodore's forecabin, ancient furniture and guns in background.



View of gun deck showing cutlasses and drum which was used to call crew to arms.

OLD IRONSIDES

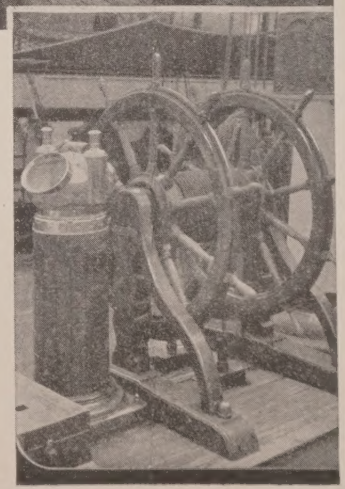
Ay, tear her tattered ensign down!
Long has it waved on high,
And many an eye has danced to see
That banner in the sky;
Beneath it rung the battle shout,
And burst the cannon's roar;—
The meteor of the ocean air
Shall sweep the clouds no more.

Her deck, once red with heroes' blood,
Where knelt the vanquished foe,
When winds were hurrying o'er the flood,
And waves were white below,
No more shall feel the victor's tread,
Or know the conquered knee;—
The harpies of the shore shall pluck
The eagle of the sea!

Oh! better that her shattered hulk
Should sink beneath the wave;
Her thunders shook the mighty deep,
And there should be her grave;
Nail to the mast her holy flag,
Set every threadbare sail,
And give her to the god of storms,
The lightning and the gale!

—Oliver Wendell Holmes, 1830.

View of the Constitution's ancient binnacle.



Helm of the Constitution. In heavy weather it takes four men to make "Old Ironsides" answer her rudder.

HOW CONSTITUTION MADE HISTORY

1794

March 27—Authorized by Congress. Designed by Joshua Humphreys and laid down at Hartt's shipyard, Boston, under direction of Col. George Claghorn.

1797-98

Oct. 21, 1797—Launched. March 27, 1797, money appropriated for her completion. July 2, 1798, first moved under sail.

1803-07

Flagship of Mediterranean squadron, under Commodores Preble, Barron and Rodgers. Engaged in war with Tripoli, 1803-05.

1812

Aug. 19—Captured H.M.S. Guerriere.
Dec. 29—Captured H. M. S. Java.

1814

Feb. 14—Captured H. M. S. Pictou.
April 3—Escaped capture by two British frigates. Blockaded in Boston for eight months.

1815

Feb. 29—Captured H. M. S. Cyane and H. M. S. Levant.

1828-31

In idleness at Boston. Condemned and ordered broken up or sold. Oliver Wendell Holmes' poem "Old Ironsides" aroused public indignation and saved her.

1844-46

Cruise around world.

1871-76

Rebuilt at Philadelphia navy yard.

1878-79

Carried United States exhibits to Havre for Paris Exposition. Last cruise to foreign waters.

1879-81

Last active cruise. Training ship for apprentice boys.

1897-1907

Towed to Boston for her centennial. Laid up on exhibition. Recommended in 1905 that she be used for a target, but public indignation prevented such action.

1926-31

Rebuilding at Navy yard, Boston. Went into commission July 1, 1931, completely restored at total cost of about $800,000 raised largely by school children's donations.

1933

On tour of Pacific ports of United States.

Mayor John C. Ten Brook

R. F. Moore

Program

ARRIVAL—May 5, Pier 2, Port of Astoria.
MAYOR'S RECEPTION—May 5, on arrival.
VISITATIONS—10 a. m. to 5 p. m. daily to May 15. Admission free.
MAY 6—D. A. R. Luncheon, Hotel Astoria, 12:30 p. m. for officers and wives.
Gyro Club Dinner and Dance, Hotel Gearhart.
Kiwanis Club Dinner, Hotel Astoria.
American Legion-Constitution Night.
MAY 7—Constitution Church Service, First Presbyterian Church. Commander Louis J. Gulliver, Speaker.
New Citizens Reception, Port of Astoria.
Patriotic program.
MAY 8—School Day. All school children in Clatsop and Tillamook Counties in Oregon and Pacific County in Washington.
Dance: Astoria Auditorium. Free to officers and crews of Constitution and Grebe.
Rotary Club Luncheon, Hotel Astoria.
MAY 8-13—Antique Show in Fellman Building.
MAY 9—School children from Wahkiakum County.
MAY 10—Civic Luncheon, Hotel Astoria.
Governor Julius L. Meier, Toastmaster
Governor Clarence D. Martin of Washington, Speaker.
MAY 11—Captain Robert Gray Ceremony at Chinook, Washington.
MAY 12—Indian Day.
MAY 14—Mothers' Day at all churches.

General Information: Astoria Chamber of Commerce. Phone: 537. 14th and Exchange.
Liberty Theater in Astoria, admission free to officers and crew of both ships (except Saturday and Sunday). Astoria Lodge No. 180 B. P O. Elks and Y. M. C. A. invites personnel to use club facilities.

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